



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Attorney Docket No.: 37026-88077

SADAMI OKADA et al. Group Art Unit: 2624

Serial No.: 09/761,623 Examiner: James A. Thompson

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For: IMAGE RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, IMAGE REPRODUCING  
APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND RECORDING MEDIUM ON WHICH IMAGE  
PROCESSING PROGRAM IS RECORDED

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
Accompanying  
Request for Continued Examination

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Sir:

Applicants respond to the Office action of April 7, 2005  
(final) by Request for Continued Examination herewith and by this  
Preliminary Amendment and accordingly request further amendment in  
the above-entitled application as follows.

Separate sections of this response and amendment are  
provided.

The listing of claims, as amended, begins on page 2 of this  
response. The claims listed replace all prior versions or  
listings of the claims. All claims are set forth whether or not  
amended.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this response.